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**Subject**: Neutron bombardment of carbon vs. boron at Area 40

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Am I correct, Alex, in assuming that neutron bombardment of boron fiber will produce a higher carbon 14/nitrogen 15 ratio https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nitrogen-15\_tracing than neutron bombardment of the carbon and nitrogen in solid rocket fuel? Also from burnt ammonium perchlorate you would have some metallic aluminum spherical residue present, and if those aluminum spheres had been bombarded with neutrons, then more stable silicon 29 and 30 and some radioactive silicon 32 would also be generated?

Would you recommend USGS in Menlo Park https://wwwrcamnl.wr.usgs.gov/isoig/res/funda.html as a good resource for evaluating a soil isotope analysis?

Thanks,

Larry Ladd